

February 6, 2018

The Board of Trustees of Marion Township, Marion County, Ohio met in its regular meeting. Ms. McCleary called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. with the following members and visitors present:

Ms. Karen McCleary	Present	Mr. Lynn Thomas	Present
Ms. Larry Ballinger	Present	Ms. Sheila Perin	Present

EMPLOYEES: Jeff Gallant, Justin Bentley, Rich Kelly, Chris Schlecht, Larry Brown, Chief Meddles, Charles Fosnaugh

GUESTS: Mike Yost, LeAnn Schlecht, Mark Schlecht, Linda Hollanshsead, Lisa Ballinger, Doug Ballinger, Lowell Schlecht, Kittie Schlecht, Erin Schlecht, Lisa Meddles, Kaylin Ward, Tim Ward

The meeting commenced with Chief Meddles presenting the 2017 Firefighter of the Year Award to Chris Schlecht.

Mr. Ballinger made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from the regular meeting of January 16, 2018. Mr. Thomas seconded the motion. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Ms. Perin presented correspondence, which was received from the Zanesville, Ohio, auditing firm who performed the last township audit in 2016. This is an agreement letter, which needs to be signed by the fiscal officer and the Chairman of the Board of Trustees.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mike Yost presented several photographs of problem properties on Lexington Ave. Brief discussion held with Mr. Fosnaugh about this property. The county prosecutor and sheriff have both been involved. Another property discussed was the Wiley property on Fountain St.

OLD BUSINESS

Ms. McCleary reported that the State Board of Pharmacy has published an updated medical marijuana dispensary list. The pharmacy board continues to review applications for medical marijuana provisional licenses. No licenses have been awarded and not until sometime in March of 2018. District northwest (Marion, Hardin and Wyandot counties) listed a total of 6 applications on the website; one in Kenton, one in Upper Sandusky and four in Marion County. Two of the ones in Marion County are located in Marion Township.

Mr. Thomas presented a news release on the proposed 1.5 mill road levy, which will be placed on the May 8 ballot for approval by the Marion Township Board of Trustees.

Royal Oaks subdivision drainage improvement plan. Mr. Brown updated the Board on this project. The fiscal officer's certification need a slight revision in the amount of \$100.

Chief Meddles reported that he spoke with a rep from Go Daddy about developing a new website for Marion Township since the current one will expire in March. He is going to speak to someone locally about this project and report at the next township meeting.

The Board discussed Mr. Fosnaugh's quote he received for zoning books. It was decided at this time that it was not necessary to print these zoning books since the information is available on the township website.

NEW BUSINESS

Ms. McCleary reported that Central Machinery has applied for a 75% tax abatement for 12 years to expand at its current site located at 1339 E. Fairground St. The company plans to spend at least \$50,000 to improve their current building and at least \$1,500,000 for a new building. They have a 3-year plan to double the number of their employees and add \$2,860,000 in annual payroll. They also plan to spend up to \$4,250,000 on new machinery and equipment at the site. Proposed timeline for the start of this project is March 2018. .

Chief Meddles asked the Board for approval to attend Regional Training re: Emergency Reporting Software located in Charlotte, NC, June 19-21 plus expenses for class travel, meals and lodging. Mr. Thomas made a motion to approve the training, Mr. Ballinger seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Fosnaugh met with the owner of the junk vehicles on Euclid. Out of 10 junk vehicles, three have been removed.

Mr. Brown reported on a problem with hanging tree limbs causing problems for the road department trucks. (See road department report)

Mr. Thomas made a motion to approve the appointment of Larry Brown to the Pioneering Healthier Communities. Mr. Brown was approached to serve on this committee. This is a 2-year term. Ms. McCleary seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Chief Meddles addressed the question of needing someone from the township to serve on the EMA board. He feels a representative from the township needs to be on this board.

Mr. Brown asked the board for permission to donate the broken piece off #399 to the county. The trustees approved the donation.

Committee reports

Zoning

ZONING ACTIVITY:

No zoning report.

Road Department

Truck #399 ,7400 International dump truck back in service. New hydraulic cylinder and 8” shaft and steel assembly to raise the dump bed.

County experiencing salt shortage due to suppliers not delivering contracted amounts to the county salt barn. Marion Township is the largest user of county salt after the Marion County Road Department.

Requested a quote for cleaning the Cascade Dr. swale located in the middle of Cascade Dr. and flows west on the west side of the road to State Route 23. Swale is an outlet for all road tile on Cascade Dr. CEI is providing the quote and is approved by Marion County Engineers Department for ditch cleaning.

Theft of two temporary stop signs in Marion Meadows and University Heights while waiting OOPS marking of utility lines. Last sign stolen Monday January 29 after 9:15 pm. Both thefts reported to Sheriff Department.

Easement meeting at end of Woodside Dr. on January 30. OSU officials and members of Marion County Prosecutors Office in attendance along with survey crew. Matt Frericks, assistant county Prosecutor, and Cindy Kennedy Assistant Direct of OSU Real Estate Operations will prepare an

easement for the OSU bike path to begin on the township right of way at the east end of Woodside Dr. The easement will be presented to the trustees for approval. Construction to begin in May 2018. Fence issue on north and south side of Woodside Dr. at the east end needs to be resolved.

Mr. Brown reported that Lynn Clabaugh would be submitting a quote for trimming and shredding of limbs for the trees on Richland Terrace, Collinswood and Canterbury. These trees are causing damage to road department vehicles when snow plowing due to low hanging limbs. The road department will provide labor for cleanup and running the shredder.

The storm water problem at the southwest corner of N. State St and Arlington Ave. will qualify for low and moderate income from the block grant. This application needs to be submitted by July 2018 and work being completed in 2019. There are other problems on Arlington Ave. that need to be addressed. Grant amount is approximately \$50,000.

Erin Creeden RN Health Policy Specialist, Office of Policy and Planning, Marion Public Health has asked Larry J. Brown to serve on the Leadership Team of Marion County Creating Healthy Community coalition for a two year term.

Fire Department

Department will be announcing the selection for firefighter of the year this evening with cake and drinks to follow meeting.

Old SOARR truck was auctioned then reserve was not met. Offer was made to highest bidder. The bidder never responded so it was relisted with GovDeals and the current bid is \$2010.00 with 1 day left. Original offer was \$1700.00.

Rescue 331 is at shop being repaired. The sale of old rescue will offset some of the repair costs.

Rescue 313 had the light tower repaired and is working fine.

Department has been in talks with Ashland Fire Department to try something new. Their Chief and Chief Meddles have worked out a Firefighter swap program. They will send a fully trained Firefighter over and MTFD will send one of ours. The concept is to have the Firefighters experience other department procedures and potentially bring back some good ideas.

Chief would like to attend a Regional Training class over the new Emergency Reporting Software. The closest training is in Charlotte, NC. Dates are June 19th through the 21st. After receiving prices for travel, it appears to be cheaper to drive. Only a 7 hour drive. 474 miles. Airline tickets were \$352.00 round trip. Asking for approval on class, travel and other normal expenses.

Lt. Temple has submitted two Assistance to Firefighter Grants. One being a Ladder truck the other asking for SCBA funding. Our current packs are over 13 years old and becoming costly to maintain.

Department has been busy with normal daily training and handling emergency calls. As of typing this, our number of calls stand at 188 for the year.

Chief submitted some prices to replace the shingles on the overhang at Station 1. Mikes Roofing came in at \$2043.00 for asphalt shingles and \$2741.00 for metal roof.

Chris Schlecht received pricing for the crew to do work in house at \$1223.40 for metal. Chief would like to save the money and let the guys complete the work when the weather warms up. Also need to fix the lighting issues around the station. None of the lights are working at this time.

Michelle has completed going through all the records for the fire department. She also scanned in all the logs and has them stored electronically. She will be scanning in EMS and Fire Reports as time permits.

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Mr. Thomas to adjourn. Ms. McCleary seconded the motion and roll call was as follows: Ms. McCleary, yes, Mr. Ballinger, yes; Mr. Thomas, yes. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:14 pm.

_____	Ms. Karen McCleary, Chairman
_____	Ms. Larry Ballinger, Vice-Chairman
_____	Mr. Lynn Thomas, Trustee
_____	Ms. Sheila Perin, Fiscal Officer

All formal actions of the Board of Trustees of Marion Township concerning and relating to the adoption of resolutions and /or motions passed at this meeting were adopted in the meeting open to the public, in compliance with the law, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.